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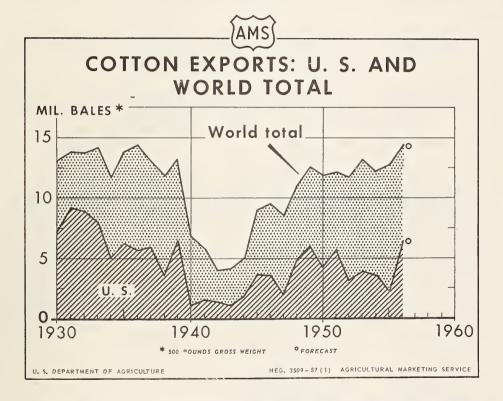
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From 1951 to 1955 exports of cotto. from the U.S. declined rather steadily while total world exports were fairly constant. In other words, the proportion of the world market held by U.S. cotton declined from approximately 47 percent in 1951 to 18 percent in 1955. During the 1956-57 season U.S. exports

are expected to be almost 3 times as large as they were in 1955-56, but world exports are expected to increase only about 15 percent. Consequently, the proportion of the world market held by U. S. cotton probably will increase to about 45 percent.

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THE COTTON SITUATION

Approved by the Outlook and Situation Board, January 30, 1957

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SUMMARY

Exports of cotton are running far ahead of last season's rate but consumption by domestic mills continues to lag somewhat.

Shipments of cotton abroad from August through November this season totaled about 2.1 million running bales, 1.6 million more than a year earlier. They included about 23,000 bales of American-Egyptian cotton compared with about 3,000 bales a year earlier and the 1955-56 total of about 20,000. For the 1956-57 season, exports of all cotton probably will be around 6.5 million bales.

As of January 22, CCC had sold about 6.3 million bales of upland cotton for export between August 1, 1956 and August 15, 1957. Prices for which CCC has sold cotton have gone up slightly in recent sales because of the addition of carrying charges to the sales prices. However, CCC sales prices are still competitive with foreign spot market prices for foreign grown cotton.

Funds authorized by the U. S. Government to finance exports of cotton in the fiscal year 1957 totaled about 476 million dollars as of January 22. If completely used, these funds would finance the export of about 3.2 million bales of cotton. However, some of this money probably will not be used because the figure includes some agreements under Public Law 480 for which purchase authorizations have not been issued. In 1955-56 about 1.6 million bales of exports were financed by U. S. Government funds, including Export-Import bank loans.

Domestic mill consumption from August 1 through December 29 was about 3.8 million bales, or about 4 percent less than in approximately the same period a year earlier. The ratio of mill stocks of cotton broadwoven goods to unfilled orders was higher than a year earlier from June to December. This probably indicates that consumption for the rest of the season will remain somewhat below a year earlier. The estimated consumption for the 1956-57 marketing year is about 9 million bales compared with 9.2 million last year.

Consumption of American-Egyptian cotton has increased sharply this year despite the fact that the rate of consumption of all extra-long-staple cotton is running at about the same rate as a year earlier. From August through December consumption of American-Egyptian cotton was about 63 percent of the consumption of all extra-long -staple cotton compared with about 12 percent in the same period a year earlier. This increase probably is due to the competitive pricing of American -Egyptian cotton and the limited supply of Egyptian cotton available.

The supply of cotton in the U.S. in 1956-57 is a record 27.8 million bales. With disappearance estimated at about 15.5 million bales the carryover at the end of the season will probably be about 2.2 million bales smaller than the record high of about 14.5 million bales on August 1, 1956.

The objective for the 1957 Soil Bank acreage reserve program for cotton has been set at 3.5 to 4.5 million acres. Farmers participating in the program will receive payments for the land which they place in the acreage reserve at the rate of 15 cents per pound times the county average normal yield, adjusted for each farm according to the productivity of the land for cotton production. The average normal yield for the U.S. has been set at 361 pounds per acre. The maximum acreage from each farm that may be placed under acreage reserve is the larger of 10 acres or 30 percent of the farm acreage allotment.

Spot market prices have increased somewhat in recent weeks. On January 30, the average 14 spot market price for Middling 1-inch cotton was 33.59 cents per pound. This compares with 33.19 cents about a month earlier and the loan rate at these markets of about 33.02 cents per pound.

The parity price for upland cotton in mid-January 1957 was 36.56 cents per pound, 0.75 cents above December. The increase reflects a higher adjusted base price for cotton in 1957 than in 1956, 12.52 cents per pound compared with 12.39 cents, and a higher Parity Index. The 1957 adjusted base price was multiplied by the Parity Index for January of 292 to obtain the January 1957 parity price.

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

Disappearance of Cotton Larger

The disappearance of cotton in the United States during the 1956-57 marketing season is estimated at about 15.5 million bales. This is the largest since 1926-27 when disappearance was 18.2 million bales and compares with 11.4 million in 1955-56. The relatively large disappearance is being caused by a very sharp increase in 1956-57 exports over those of the preceding season. Domestic mill consumption is down slightly.

Exports of Cotton Increase Sharply

Exports of cotton from the U. S. during the current marketing year probably will total around 6.5 million bales, compared with 2.2 million bales in the preceding season. This will be the largest quantity exported in any year since 1933-34.

From August 1 through November 1956, exports were about 2.1 million bales compared with about 0.5 million a year earlier and were the largest for these months since 1939. The seasonal rate of exports is discussed in the article, "Changes in the Seasonal Rate of Exports of American Cotton," starting on page 20.

Exports of American-Egyptian cotton during August-November 1956 accounted for about 23,000 bales of the total exports. During the same period a year earlier about 3,000 bales of American-Egyptian cotton were exported.

Sales by CCC for Export

As of January 22, CCC had sold about 6.3 million bales of upland cotton for export between August 1, 1956 and August 15, 1957. The rate of sale was considerably smaller in December and January than during September, October, and November as shown in table 1. The average quantity sold on each bid opening date (every other Tuesday) in December and January was about 63,000 bales compared with approximately 398,000 bales in the September-November period.

Table 1.- Upland Cotton: Quantity sold by CCC for export between August 1, 1956 and August 15, 1957

	te bids e opened	:	Quantity	: Cumulative : totals
MCI	e opened	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Bales	
3.05(•	Dares	Bales
1956	O).	:	30 1.07	20 100
Apr.	24	:	10,487	10,487
May	8	:	223,544	234,031
May	22	:	28,725	262,756
June	12	:	1,567,278	1,830,034
June	26	:	641,702	2,471,736
July	10	:	393,629	2,865,365
July	24	:	137,122	3,002,487
Aug.	7	:	117,754	3,120,241
Aug.	2 <u>i</u>	:	157,400	3,277,641
Sept.	4	:	208,484	3,486,125
Sept.	18	:	329,230	3,815,355
Oct.	2	•	351,383	4,166,738
Oct.	16	•	466,922	4,633,660
Oct.	30	:	594,718	5,228,378
Nov.	13	•	422,522	5,650,900
Nov.	27	•	414,893	6,065,793
	11	:	113,800	
Dec.	26	•		6,179,593
Dec.	20	:	50,560	6,230,153
1957	0	:	1.0.000	(070 100
Jan.	8	:	43,039	6,273,192
Jan.	22	:	43,502	6,316,694
		:		

The heavy sales made earlier probably have satisfied most of the export demand for the next several months. This factor and the smaller quantity of cotton available for sale since November than in the earlier months apparently are primarily responsible for the current decline in the rate of sale. As of October 1, CCC owned about 2,986,000 bales of upland cotton which was available for sale for export, but by December 7 this quantity had declined to about 732,000 bales.

On December 31, 1956, CCC took ownership of about 6.0 million bales of 1955-crop upland cotton. However, this cotton cannot be sold by CCC until it is cataloged. A partial catalog of these stocks of 1955-crop cotton will be available about March 1.

Data on the quantity of stocks of all cotton held by CCC (owned and held as collateral against outstanding loans, but excluding cotton sold for export) are shown in table 9.

Prices for which CCC has sold cotton for export have averaged slightly higher than 25 cents per pound, basis Middling 15/16 inch at average location. These prices compare with the current loan rate of 31.59 cents per pound for Middling 15/16 inch cotton at average location.

Prices for U. S. and Foreign Cotton

Prices for which CCC has sold American upland cotton have generally been below comparable foreign spot market prices for foreign cotton since the start of the current season. (See table 3.) Prices for foreign cotton have tended to increase slightly since September, and the prices for which CCC has sold cotton have also tended to rise slightly. The increase in CCC selling prices has been caused principally by the addition of "reasonable" carrying charges to the CCC minimum sales prices.

Supply and Distribution of Cotton Abroad

The estimated supply and distribution of cotton in the foreign free world was published in the <u>Cotton Situation</u> for November 1956, CS-167. The estimates have changed very little since then and are given below.

Indications are that foreign free world consumption in 1956-57 will increase above the 19.3 million bales of 1955-56, perhaps by about 1 million bales. Economic activity abroad is at a high level, foreign population is increasing, and prices for cotton are low enough to enable it to compete more effectively with manmade fibers than in the recent past. Some increase in foreign free world fiber consumption is indicated and the strong demand probably will benefit cotton along with other fibers.

Table 2.- Supply and distribution of cotton: Foreign free world, 1954-55, 1955-56, and 1956-57

Item	1954-55	1955-56	1956-57 1/
	Million bales	Million bales	Million bales
Starting carryover Production Imports from the U. S.	9.5 15.9 3.4	9.8 16.1 2.2	7.9 16.2 6.5
Total supply	28.8	28.1	30.6
Consumption Net exports to Communist	18.7	19.3	20.3
countries, exports to the U. S., and destroyed	•3	•9	.8
Total disappearance	19.0	20.2	21.1
Ending carryover	9.8	7.9	9.5

^{1/} Preliminary estimates.

Table 3.- Foreign spot prices per pound including export taxes 1/ and CCC minimum sales prices at average location in the United States,

October, November and December 1956 2/

	Forei	gn.	: United States					
Market		: Price per	-:-	Price per	: Quality			
	QUALITY	: pound 3/	:	pound 4/	: 5/			
		Cents		Cents				
:								
		Uc.	tobe	er				
Bombay, India :	Broach	07.3		00.06	CTM 25/2/11			
Variabi Delejekan	Vijay, fine	27.14		22.96	SLM 15/16"			
Karachi, Pakistan	: 289 F Sind : fine S G	27.50		24.29	SLM 1"			
	i line 5 G	27.50		24.29	STM T			
Izmir, Turkey	: Acala II	40.18		28.64	M 1-1/16"			
Sao Paulo, Brazil :				23.54	SLM 31/32"			
Matamoros, Mexico		<u>6/</u> 30.26		27.97	M 1-1/32"			
	: Tanguis type 5	38.99		28.00	SLM 1-3/16"			
Alexandria, Egypt :		47.97		30.20	M 1-1/8"			
, 3,	:				,			
_	November							
Bombay, India	Broach							
	: Vijay, fine	<u>6</u> /		23.16	SLM 15/16"			
Karachi, Pakistan								
	fine S G	29.18		24.52	SLM 1"			
, ,	: Acala II	51.84		29.01	M 1-1/16"			
Sao Paulo, Brazil :		6/		23.72	SLM 31/32"			
Matamoros, Mexico		8/31.12		28.30	M 1-1/32"			
	Tanguis type 5	38.20		28.20	SIM 1-3/16"			
Alexandria, Egypt	: Asimouni good	<u>9</u> /48.19		30.57	м 1-1/8"			
		Dec	embe					
Bombay, India	Broach	200	Junio	-				
	: Vijay, fine	6/		23.32	SIM 15/16"			
Karachi, Pakistan		_		5 0				
	fine S G	31.01		24.71	SIM 1"			
Izmir, Turkey	: Acala II	47.20		29.23	M 1-1/16"			
Sao Paulo, Brazil :	Type 5	6/		23.90	SLM 31/32"			
Matamoros, Mexico :		8/31.15		28.45	M 1-1/32''			
	: Tanguis type 5			28.42	SLM 1-3/16"			
Alexandria, Egypt	: Ashmouni good	49.63		30.79	M 1-1/8"			

^{1/} Includes export taxes where applicable. 2/ Quotations on net weight basis. 3/ Average of prices collected once each week. 4/ Net weight price for U. S. is CCC minimum sales price + 0.96. Price for each month is the average of minimum prices at average location for all sales made during the month. 5/ Quality of U. S. cotton generally considered to be most nearly comparable to the foreign cotton. 6/ No quotations. 7/ Delivered at Brownsville. Net weight price = actual price + 0.96. 8/ Nominal. 9/ One quotation. Foreign Agricultural Service and Cotton Division, AMS.

Production of cotton in the foreign free world is estimated at about 16.2 million bales for the current season. This small increase over the preceding season results mainly from higher yields.

Acreage in the foreign free world is estimated to have declined by about 1.0 million acres in 1956-57 from 1955-56. The decline is the first since World War II and occurred at the same time that world prices for cotton declined. Acreage in Brazil, Mexico, and Central America was down sharply, about 20, 25, and 28 percent. No other major producing area shows such sharp declines and a few countries show relatively small increases.

Stocks of cotton in the foreign free world on August 1, 1956 totaled about 7.9 million bales, nearly 2 million bales below one and two years earlier. The decrease occurred after the U. S. had announced that it would make its cotton available for export in the 1956-57 marketing year at competitive world prices. The U. S. export price is now lower than the average of last season and has apparently stabilized. Foreign countries delayed purchases last year in anticipation of the price decline, but probably will rebuild their stocks in the current season. Exports may be larger than the 6.5 million bales estimated above if they rebuild their stocks by more than 1.6 million bales and if shipping is available.

U. S. Government Financing of Cotton Exports

Funds committed by the U. S. Government for financing cotton exports, which can be used in the 1956-57 fiscal year (July 1, 1956 to June 30, 1957), totaled about 476 million dollars as of January 22. These funds would finance the export of about 3.2 million bales. About 264 million dollars were used in 1955-56 to finance the export of about 1.6 million bales, as shown below.

Table 4.- Programs of the U. S. Government for financing the export of cotton, fiscal years beginning July 1, 1955 and 1956

Program	: 1955-56	IJ	1956-9	57 3
110g1am	: Value	: Quantity	Value	: Quantity
	: Mil. dol.	Mil. bales	Mil. dol.	Mil. bales
Export-Import bank loans	: 60.5)		63.6	0.4
International Cooperation	:)	1.1		
Administration	: 113.2)		3/ 121.5	.8
Public Law 480	:			
Title I	: 84.4	•5	4/ 291.1	2.0
Title II	: 6.4	5/	0	0
Total	: 90.8	-5	291.1	2.0
Grand total	: 264.5	1.6	476.2	3.2
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l/ Paid expenditures and/or shipments. 2/ Authorizations and agreements available for use in 1956-57. 3/ Authorized for delivery in 1956-57 and unpaid authorizations carried over from 1955-56 to 1956-57. 4/ Includes following agreements for which purchase authorizations have not been issued: India - \$46,879,816, Indonesia - \$4,748,000, and Korea - \$430,000. 5/ Less than 50,000 bales.

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The figures shown in table 4 indicate that shipments under Public Law 480, the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954, will comprise the largest source of funds for U. S. financing of cotton exports in the current fiscal year. In 1955-56 the International Cooperation Administration program was the largest source of funds.

The Public Law 480 program includes agreements with India for more than 70 million dollars to be used over a three-year period from August 1956. It is likely, therefore, that the figure for funds available in 1956-57 overstate the amount of cotton exports which will be financed by the U.S. Government in 1956-57.

Cotton Products Export Program

Payments are being made for cotton products exported during the 1956-57 marketing year to offset the price advantage gained by foreign mills under the cotton export sales program. Payments to exporters of cotton products from August 1 through December amounted to about 4.5 million dollars. These payments were made for exports of about 61.3 million pounds of cotton products. These products include practically all products from finished fabrics through waste. The payments and the pounds covered by the payments for each classification under the export payments program are shown in table 5. The largest amount of payment and the largest number of pounds covered by these payments occurred in the November period.

Rate of Domestic Mill Consumption of Cotton

Domestic mill consumption of cotton from August 1 through December 29, 1956 totaled about 3,750,000 bales. This was about 170,000 bales or 4 percent less than consumption during approximately the same period a year earlier.

The average daily rate of consumption during November was down contraseasonally from October, but October increased more than seasonally above September. The combined average rate for October and November showed a larger than normal seasonal increase from August and September but was still below a year earlier.

The average daily rate of consumption for December declined slightly more than the normal seasonal amount from November. If normal seasonal changes in the rate of consumption prevail for the remainder of the current marketing year, domestic mill consumption of cotton probably will total about 9 million bales for the 1956-57 season.

Consumption of Extra-Long-Staple Cotton

The consumption of extra-long -staple cotton in the U.S. from August 1 through December 29, 1956 was slightly less than during the same period a year earlier, about 46,000 and 50,000 bales, respectively. However, the consumption of American-Egyptian cotton was up sharply from a year earlier. In August-December 1956, about 29,000 bales of American-Egyptian cotton were

Table 5.- Cotton products export program: Classes of cotton products and equalization payments August-December 1956

				I	Equalization payments	payments			
נים ל כ	Daincing 1 + cm of concent	August-October 1956	ber 1956 :	November	1956 :	December 1956		: August-December 1956	ber 1956
CIESS	CITACLE TOOM OF CAPOL	Actual	: Converted:	Actual	Converted	Actual	Converted	Actual	Converted
	1	Dollars	Pounds	Dollars	Pounds	Dollars	Founds	Dollars	Pounds
A.	rara strips, comper nort, spinners taps, and roving waste	365,461.89	6,173,343	339,617.88	5,688,742	209,839.34	3,514,905	914,919.61 15,376,990	15,376,990
æ.	Picker laps and cotton batting	14.67	489	264.08	3,756	68.30	972	380.05	5,412
٥.	Sliver, sliver laps, ribbon laps, roving, and drawing sliver	1,243.34	16,870	192.55	2,592	148.00	1,992	1,583.89	21,454
Э.	Gray or unfinished yarn, twine, cordage, and rope	120,581.24	1,607,750	148,353.90	1,962,353	93,338.46	1,235,297	362,323.60	4,805,400
떠	Gray fabrics, absorbent cotton, and dyed, bleached, mercerized, or similar full finish- ed yarn	125,048.36	1,624,005	201,317.84	2,594,302	154,470.85	1,990,604	480,837.05	6,208,911
[±4	Knitted articles manufactured from finished yard	4,374.63	63,533	6,632.04	84,690	6,369.14	80,724	18,025.81	228,947
ů	Finished fabrics (printed, dyed bleached, mer- cerized or similar full finish, including fabric woven from colored yarn)	752,693.27	9,303,996	722,255.48	8,862,030	547,452.10	6,717,204	6,717,204 2,022,400.85 24,883,230	24,883,230
н.	Articles manufactured from fabrics	119,156.29	1,293,771	111,543.92	1,201,982	83,544.47	900,264	314,244.68	3,396,017
H	Coated and rubberized yarns, coated and rubberized fabrics, absorbent cotton, twine, cordage, rope, and fabrics consisting of a mixture of fibers, containing not less than 50% by weight of cotton	9,317.70	202,119	16,738.31	360,739	13,378.74	288,335	39,434.75	851,193
ъ.	:Coated and rubberized articles and articles manufactured from fabrics consisting of a mixture of fibers, containing not less than : 50% by weight of cotton	8,712.46	159,569	7,262.74	132,050	4,916.20	89,385	20,891.40	381,004
Ж.	Gray or finished fabrics one yard or more but: less than ten yards in length	104,615.63	1,767,156	118,807.88	1,990,082	73,565.21	1,232,248	296,988.72	984,686,4
ដ	:Coated and rubberized fabrics and fabrics con- : sisting of a mixture of fibers containing not: : less than 50% by weight of cotton, one yard : : or more but less than ten yards in length	769.10	22,037	503.92	14,357	2,769.18	78,894	4,042.20	115,288
-	Total	:, 612,621.5° 22,234,833 1,673,540.54 22,897,675 1,189,910.49 16,130,824 4,476,072.61 61,263,332	22,234,833 1	,673,540.54	22,897,675 1	64.016,681,	16,130,824 4	,476,072.61	61,263,332

1/ Converted from revised totals.
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consumed, but in approximately the same period a year earlier only 6,000 bales were consumed. American-Egyptian cotton comprised about 63 percent of the extra-long-staple cotton used by domestic mills in the August-December 1956 period, compared with about 12 percent a year earlier.

At the same time that consumption of American-Egyptian cotton increased, consumption of Egyptian cotton declined. In August-December 1956, the use of Egyptian cotton by domestic mills was 10,300 bales or about 22 percent of domestic mill consumption of all extra-long-staple cotton. A year earlier these figures were 36,000 bales and 71 percent.

The increased use of American-Egyptian cotton and the decrease in the use of Egyptian cotton was caused by the limited supply of Egyptian cotton (see page 14) and prices for American-Egyptian cotton which are lower than prices for Egyptian cotton. In December, the landed New England price for American-Egyptian, grade 3, 1-7/16 inches in staple length averaged 77.50 cents per pound. For Karnak, fully good to extra, the price averaged 87.44 cents.

Ratio of Mill Stocks of Broadwoven Goods to Unfilled Orders

After reaching a peak of 0.53 in August 1956, highest since August 1954, the ratio of mill stocks of cotton broadwoven goods to unfilled orders declined to about 0.41 at the end of October but was still above a year earlier. Preliminary figures indicate increases in the ratio for November and December, thus making it seven consecutive months in which the ratios have been higher than last year. The relatively high ratios probably indicate that the rate of domestic mill consumption will remain below that of a year earlier for most of the months from January through July 1957.

Mill Margins Decline

The mill margin, or the difference between the cost of a pound of cotton and the value of the amount of cloth made from that cotton (average for 17 constructions), declined for the second consecutive month in December. The decline was caused by a decline in the value of gray goods and an increase in the price of cotton. The mill margin declined from 30.75 cents in October to 29.80 cents in December. The mill margin in December 1955 was 31.08 cents. The average price for cotton used in the fabrics increased from an average of 33.80 cents per pound in October to 34.27 cents in December. The price in December 1955 was 35.57 cents per pound. The average value of the fabrics declined from 64.55 cents in October to 64.07 cents in December. In December 1955 this price was 66.65 cents.

Supply of Cotton at Record High

The supply of cotton in the United States during the 1956-57 marketing year is a record high of about 27.8 million running bales. The previous record of 26.0 million bales was set in the 1955-56 season. The 1956-57 supply includes a starting carryover of 14.5 million bales, the 1956 crop estimated at 13.2 million running bales (13.3 million 500-pound bales) as of December 1, 1956, and estimated imports of about 0.1 million bales.

Production of Cotton

Cotton production estimated for the current season is about 13.2 million running bales, approximately 1.3 million bales or about 10 percent smaller than production during the preceding season. About 13.1 million bales of cotton from the 1956 crop had been ginned by January 16, 1957. This was about 99.6 percent of the estimated 1956 crop. A year earlier 98.8 percent of the 1955 crop had been ginned.

The acreage harvested during the current season declined about 8 percent from that for the 1955 crop. The larger decline in the crop than in acreage was caused by a slightly lower yield per harvested acre, 417 and 408 pounds for the 1955 and 1956 crops, respectively. Despite the decline in the 1956 yield, it was second only to the record high of 1955.

The average yield per harvested acre in the Western States of Arizona, California, and New Mexico was at an all time high of 944 pounds per harvested acre in 1956. The 1955 yield in this area was about 818 pounds per acre. Average yields in all other areas of the Cotton Belt declined in 1956 from 1955. (See table 11.) Yields on non-irrigated acres in Texas and Oklahoma were materially reduced by severe drought.

The West's proportion of the total acreage harvested also increased in 1956 over 1955. This proportion increased in the Southeast and the Delta States as well, but it declined in the Southwest. (See table 12.)

Because of the higher yields and the larger proportion of U. S. acreage harvested, the West's proportion of U. S. production increased from 15 percent in 1955 to 19 percent in 1956. The proportion for all the other areas declined about 1 or 2 percent. (See table 13.)

Imports of Cotton

Imports of cotton into the U. S. from August 1 through November 1956 were 29,361 bales. This compares with 61,081 bales a year earlier. It appears likely that imports for the entire 1956-57 season will be less than 100,000 bales.

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Imports of extra-long-staple cotton in the August-November 1956 period were 8,021 bales or only about 29 percent of such imports during the same period a year earlier. Because much of the Egyptian crop is being shipped to iron curtain countries, the available supply of extra-long-staple cotton from that country is limited. In addition, prices for American-Egyptian cotton are competitive with those for Karnak cotton from Egypt. These two factors are probably the most important reasons for the smaller imports in 1956-57 than in 1955-56.

The 1957 Carryover

The carryover of cotton on August 1, 1957 is expected to be about 12.3 million bales. This is about 2.2 million bales below the record high carryover of 1956, but is larger than any other carryover since records began in 1914.

The Acreage Reserve Program

The objective for the Soil Bank arreage reserve program for the 1957 crop of upland cotton is 3.5 to 4.5 million acres. Farmers will receive payments for the land which they place in the acreage reserve at the rate of 15 cents per pound times the normal yield as determined for their farm in the manner indicated below. In order to qualify for the acreage reserve, farmers must agree to place land in the acreage reserve by March 1, 1957. The acreage planted to cotton must be less than the farmer's acreage allotment at least by the amount of land placed in the acreage reserve. Furthermore, no other crop can be harvested from the acreage reserve, and no livestock can be grazed on such land.

The Secretary of Agriculture announced the national average yield and payment per acre for 1957 on December 12, 1956.

The Secretary stated, "For corn, cotton, and rice, an average county dollars-and-cents payment rate will be established for each crop. While the county rates will vary considerably, they will 'average out' to approximately the national rate for the crop. Relative productivity, distance from markets, and historic local prices will determine the county rate. From these county 'average' payment rates for each of the three crops, individual farm per-acre rates will be established by the county ASC committee. They will vary, up or down from the county rate, in accordance with relative productivity and farming methods."

The national average yield rate per acre for cotton for computing payments under the 1957 acreage reserve was set at 361 pounds. The approximate national average rate of payment per acre was set at \$54.15.

The maximum amount of acreage from each farm that may be placed in the acreage reserve is the larger of 10 acres or 30 percent of the farm allotment. If the allocation to a county for the acreage reserve for cotton is larger than required to cover agreements under the maximum restriction, the maximum placed in the acreage reserve from each farm may be increased.

If the objectives of the acreage reserve are reached, harvested acreage for cotton will probably be around 13 million acres. This would be the smallest harvested acreage since the 1870's.

U. S. Market Prices for Cotton

The average 14 spot market price for Middling, 1-inch cotton has remained fairly close to the support level at these markets since August 1, 1956. The average monthly price has fluctuated between 33.01 and 33.19 cents per pound from August through December 1956. Prices in January have risen somewhat. On January 30, the average 14 spot market price was 33.59 cents per pound compared with 33.19 cents approximately a month earlier. These prices compare with the average 14 spot market loan rate for Middling 1-inch of 33.02 cents per pound.

The average monthly prices in August-December 1955 ranged from 34.21 to 34.97 cents per pound. The average 1955 crop support price for Middling 1-inch cotton at the 14 spot markets was 34.80 cents per pound.

The Parity Price for Upland Cotton

The mid-January 1957 parity price for upland cotton was 36.56 cents per pound, compared with 35.81 cents in December and 34.84 cents in January 1956. The increase in the parity price was caused by a rise in the adjusted base price for cotton and in the Parity Index (prices paid by farmers including interest, taxes, and wages). The Parity Index for mid-January 1957 of 292 (1910-14=100) was up 2 points from the revised December index and 11 points from a year earlier.

The adjusted base price for 1957 is 12.52 cents per pound, compared with 12.39 cents for 1956. The new adjusted base price was computed by dividing the average price received by farmers for upland cotton (adjusted for cotton placed in the CCC loan) for 1947 through 1956 by the average index of prices received by farmers for all farm products during the same period. To compute the parity price for each month in 1957, the 1957 adjusted base price is multiplied by the Parity Index for each month. The resulting parity price is the "modernized parity" price for cotton.

Prices for Cotton Linters Increase

Prices for cotton linters have increased rather steadily since July 31, 1956. The price rise has occurred for both felting and chemical linters. For example, on July 31, the price for Grade 2, staple 2 linters was 8.25 cents per pound, and the price for Grade 7, staple 7 was 3.50 cents.

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On January 15, 1957 these prices were 10.50 and 5.75 cents per pound respectively. Both of these classes are felting linters. Chemical grade linters rose from 2.75 to 3.00 cents per pound on July 31 to 5.25 cents on January 15, 1957. The increase in prices reflects a declining supply in relation to disappearance, as explained below.

Supply and Disappearance of Cotton Linters

The supply of cotton linters in the U.S. during the current marketing year is estimated at about 2.8 million bales. This compares with approximately 3.4 million bales during the two preceding seasons. The 1956-57 supply includes a smaller starting carryover and smaller production than during the 1954-55 and 1955-56 marketing years. (See table 6.)

Table 6.- Cotton linters: Supply, United States, 1954 to date

Year : beginning : Aug. 1 :	Stocks beginning of season 1/		Production	Net imports 2/	Total
•	Million bales 3/		Million bales 3/	Million bales 4/	Million bales
1954	1.5	•	1.7	0.2	3.4
1955	1.5		<u>5</u> /1.7	.2	3.4
1956 6/	1.0	1	1.6	.2	2.8

^{1/} Includes stocks at mills, public storage, oil mills, and elsewhere.

3/ Running bales. 4/ Bales of 500 p

Bales of 500 pounds gross weight.

5/ Estimated.

The disappearance of linters during the 1956-57 season is expected to be about 2.0 million bales. This compares with 2.2 million bales in the preceding season and 1.8 million bales in 1954-55. Domestic consumption of linters is expected to be lower during 1956-57 than it was during 1955-56. (See table 7.)

^{2/} Includes imports less re-exports.

^{5/} Includes production at gins and delinting plants.

Table 7.- Cotton linters: Distribution, United States, 1954 to date

Year beginning Aug. 1	:Consumption :	Exports :	Destroyed :	Stocks end of season	Total
	: Million : bales 2/	Million bales 2/	Million bales 2/	Million bales 2/	Million bales 2/
1954 <u>3</u> /	1.5	0.3	<u>1</u> 4/	1.5	3.2
1955	1.8	• 4		1.0	3.2
1956 <u>5</u> /	1.6	.4		.8	2.8

^{1/} Totals were made before data were rounded.

The consumption of linters through December was about 695,000 bales. This was about 7 percent below consumption a year earlier. However, consumption during November and December was only about 86 percent of the same months in 1955, and consumption for the entire 1956-57 season may be off more than 10 percent from 1955-56.

Despite the decline in consumption, the carryover of linters on August 1, 1957 probably will decline to about 800,000 bales. This will be the smallest carryover since 1952 and compares with about 1 million bales on August 1, 1956.

Linters Pulp Prices Increase

The prices for purified linters or linters pulp increased in November to 11.83 cents per pound. This is the highest price since September 1953 and probably reflects the increased prices for chemical grade linters. For the first time since September 1953 the price for linters pulp was higher than the price for acetate and cupra grade dissolving woodpulp, which has been 11.25 cents per pound since January 1951. Prices for high tenacity viscose grade and standard viscose grade dissolving woodpulp have been 9.75 and 9.25 cents per pound, respectively, since January 1951.

^{2/} Running bales

^{3/} Includes motes, sweepings, etc.

^{4/} Less than 50,000 bales.

^{5/} Estimated.

Report to the Congress on Various Methods of Supporting the Price of Cotton

On January 8 the Senate Appropriations Committee released a report submitted by the Department of Agriculture entitled, "Various Methods of Supporting the Price of Cotton." This report analyzed the following systems for supporting the price of cotton:

- 1. Cash Export Subsidy.
- 2. Sale of CCC Stocks for Export.
- 3. Certificate Plan and Processing Tax Plan.
- 4. International Cotton Agreement.
- 5. Ninety Percent of Parity (Modernized Parity).
- 6. Flexible Support Price System (Modernized Parity).
- 7. Seventy-five Percent of Parity (Modernized Parity).
- 8. Ninety Percent of Cotton's Own Parity.
- 9. Cotton's Own Parity with 50-Percent Efficiency Modifier.

The report stated: "Each system of price support... was analyzed for its economic effects under assumed general economic conditions. For illustration purposes these effects were estimated for 1960. The pertinent points compared are:

- (1) Size of disappearance.
- (2) Size of the acreage reduction below uncontrolled acreage required by each system to balance production and disappearance.
- (3) Cost of each system to the Government.
- (4) The farm value of the crop (lint only).
- (5) Farm value of crop less cost to Government.
- (6) Net farm income.

"The largest disappearance is estimated for the Cash Export Subsidy, Sale of CCC Stocks for Export, and the Certificate systems in 1960, 14.7 million bales; the smallest for the 90 Percent of Parity system, 11.4 million bales. The Certificate Plan requires the smallest acreage reduction and the 90 Percent of Parity system the largest.

"Total costs to the Government (administrative and non-administrative) for the two-price systems range from about 0.3 billion dollars for the Cash Export Subsidy and the Sale of CCC Stocks for Export systems with 65 and 90 percent of parity price objectives to less than 0.05 billion for the Certificate Plan. For all other systems, if fully effective controls over production could be assumed in 1960, cost to the Government would be relatively nominal. This would involve much more drastic controls than have been in effect in the past. If such drastic controls were not feasible, the cost to the Government would be much higher than that estimated in this report.

"Disregarding cost to the Government, the highest estimated farm value for the cotton crop in 1960, 2.3 billion dollars, would be obtained under the Cash Export Subsidy and Sale of CCC Stocks for Export systems with price objectives of 65 and 90 percent of parity. The estimated value under the 90 Percent of Parity system is the smallest, about 1.8 billion dollars.

"Once again ignoring cost to the Government, the largest net farm income, about 1.8 billion dollars, is estimated in 1960 for the Cash Export Subsidy and Sale of CCC Stocks for Export systems with 65 and 90 percent of parity price objectives. The Cotton's Own Parity with 50-Percent Efficiency Modifier system shows the lowest estimated net farm income, about 1.4 billion dollars. If Government cost is deducted, differences between the various systems are narrowed.

"Beyond 1960 it becomes more and more difficult to evaluate the precise economic effects of the several programs. The programs and policies followed between now and 1960 will doubtless affect the cotton industry for many years beyond that date. A cotton price low enough to make cotton competitive both in the domestic and foreign markets in 1960 would set in motion forces that would, in the long run, increase the consumption of United States cotton. For this reason, in the more distant future, the relative position of the two 90 percent systems would probably tend to worsen. They would tend to discourage domestic and foreign use of American cotton relative to the other systems; hence comparatively less land would be devoted to the production of cotton."

A limited supply of copies of this report are available upon request from the Department of Agriculture.

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Changes in the Seasonal Rate of Exports of American Cotton 1/

by Martin S. Simon

This article discusses the changes that have occurred in the seasonal pattern of exports of cotton from the United States between the interwar period (1920-38) and the postwar period (1946-56). The seasonal for the postwar period indicates a total for exports during the first half of the crop year normally about the same as that for the second half. In contrast, the interwar seasonal indicates a total for the first half ordinarily about 50 percent greater than that for the second half. This change probably reflects primarily a tendency toward hand-to-mouth buying of American cotton by foreign users in the postwar period with the United States becoming a residual supplier. Largely because of data limitations, it is not certain whether the differences between the two seasonals may be in part due to Government financing of U. S. cotton exports which accounted for a large portion of each year's exports in the postwar period. Seasonal influences may not have as much bearing on exports in the current season as would ordinarily be expected largely because a substantial amount of the cotton exported probably will come from CCC inventories rather than from marketings of the current crop. The article also indicates that moving seasonal factors apparently represent the seasonal pattern for exports better than do stable factors and considers their use for analytical purposes.

In the November-December 1953 issue of the Cotton Situation, a special article appeared entitled, "Seasonal Rate of Exports of American Cotton." In that article, average index numbers of seasonality, computed for the interwar years (1920-39) and the postwar years (1946-53), were described and contrasted. The comparison revealed a marked difference in the seasonal pattern of the two periods. In the interwar period, the rate of exports normally rose from a July-August low to an October-November peak and then declined steadily to the summer trough, a pattern conforming in essence to that for cotton marketings. The seasonal movement in the postwar period showed the lowest rate of exports once again to be in July and August, but the peak was not reached until December and, before the decline to the summer low ensued, a secondary peak appeared in March. In addition, the normal rate for exports during most of the latter months of the crop year (February to June) was higher in the postwar years than it was in the interwar period. On the other hand, during the September-November period, the postwar rate was lower than the interwar rate.

^{1/} The research on which this report is based was carried on under authority of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (RMA, Title II).

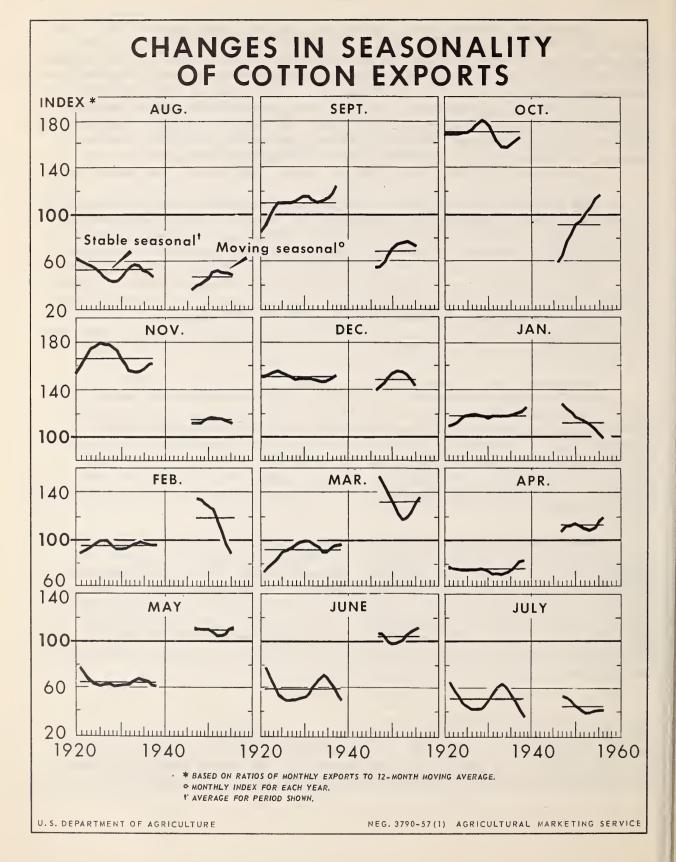
The seasonal index for the postwar period was necessarily based on a relatively few years, and there was some question as to the significance of the direction of change indicated for several of the months. With three more years of data now on hand, it was decided to recompute the postwar seasonal, this time utilizing services of the Bureau of the Census. These included an automatic data processing system and a rather elaborate method of seasonal adjustment made feasible by the former. 2/ The method automatically provides moving seasonal adjustment factors—that is, ones which change from year to year. A constant index of seasonality can also be obtained.

Moving and stable seasonal adjustment factors were computed for exports of American cotton for the interwar period, August 1920 to July 1938, and for the postwar period, August 1946 to July 1956. The results confirm the earlier conclusion that a shift in seasonal pattern between the two periods has taken place. In broad outline, the differences now manifest are about the same as those observed three years ago and described briefly above. These differences may be seen in figure 1. For each month, the heavy line represents the moving seasonal adjustment factors; the light line the stable factor. The factors for each month are shown as a percentage of the average for all of the months in a given year. A higher value for each month from September to November in the interwar period than in the postwar period is clearly observable, as well as a lower value for each month from March to June.

Figure 1 also shows that, within the seasonal context of each period, strong forces apparently have caused changes each year in the relative seasonal importance of each month. For example, the factors for November in the interwar period rise from 153 in 1920 to 180 in 1925, then fall to 155 in 1933, and finally rise to 161 in 1937. On the other hand, the factors for October in the postwar period rise steadily from 58 in 1946 to 118 in 1955. The changes in the postwar seasonal factors through the period, for the most part, have not tended to restore the interwar seasonal pattern.

Thus, the recomputation of the seasonal rate of exports of United States cotton, in addition to drawing attention once again to a shift in seasonal pattern between the interwar and postwar periods, has revealed important variations within the seasonal pattern of each period as represented by the moving seasonal indexes. For purposes of discussion, these changes in seasonality are considered separately. In other words, consideration is given first to the differences between the two periods in the average level of the monthly factors and then to the movements from or around the average for each month, irrespective of period.

^{2/} For a description of the method and its development, see a paper entitled, "Seasonal Adjustments by Census Methods I and II," presented by Shiskin, J. and Eisenpress, H. at a joint meeting of the American Statistical Association and the Econometric Society on December 27, 1955 in New York, N. Y.



Differences between the interwar and postwar seasonals.— One of the important distinctions between the interwar and postwar seasonals is the higher proportion of the annual exports that normally occurred in the second half of the postwar crop year than in that of the interwar crop year and, conversely, the lower rate in the first half. As a result, exports during the second half of the postwar crop year now normally are expected to be about equal to or slightly in excess of the total for the first half. This was not the case when the interwar seasonal pattern was operative. The interwar seasonal movement ordinarily indicates an average rate of exports during the first half of the crop year more than 1.5 times that during the second half.

The postwar modification of the relative importance of the two halves of the crop year is believed attributable, primarily, to the fact that the United States has become a residual supplier of cotton in foreign markets. Cotton production abroad has expanded steadily since the end of World War II. Importing nations have tended to look initially to foreign producing areas for cotton which was often cheaper and sold for non-dollar currency. The generally higher world price level for cotton, the unsettled nature of the postwar period, and the increased participation of governments in international trade also may have contributed to the practice of buying American cotton on a "hand-to-mouth" basis.

Reference has been made to the apparent relationship between the interwar seasonal pattern for cotton exports and the availability of large quantities of new-crop cotton, as reflected in the pattern for ginnings. The interwar seasonal rate rises from a summer low to a peak in October or November, is at a consistently high rate during December (about 50 percent above the annual average), and does not drop to a rate below the annual average until February. Cumulative ginnings during these years averaged about 41 percent of the total by October 1 3/, 74 percent by November 1, and 90 percent by December 1.

The normal postwar rate for exports also bears a resemblance to the pattern for ginnings, but the seasonal rise from the summer trough is more gradual. A high is not reached until December, and then one roughly equivalent to the December factor for the interwar period but well below the interwar peak. In addition to the influences mentioned above, these changes may also be attributable to the moderately slower pace at which new-crop cotton has become available in the postwar period. Cumulative ginnings for the crop years 1946-55 averaged about 35 percent of the total by October 1, 68 percent by November 1, and 88 percent by December 1.

With respect to the interwar and postwar differences in seasonal pattern, one additional factor warrants mention. Since 1939, the United States has undertaken several programs to facilitate the export of U.S. cotton. During the postwar period 1946-55, Government-financed exports are estimated to have averaged about 55 percent of the total quantity shipped. The question arises as to whether Government programs in some way have altered

^{3/} Average for 1924-37; others for 1920-37.

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or influenced the seasonal pattern. 4/ No clear-cut answer can be given, however, for it is not possible to differentiate sufficiently between Governmentfinanced exports and commercial exports on a monthly basis so that seasonal patterns can be tested for differences. Furthermore, the character of the financial aid has varied, consisting at different times of subsidies, grants and gifts, and loans, singly or in combination.

Patterns within periods.— The seasonal pattern for exports of American cotton in each period apparently is best represented by a moving index. Although there is little difference in a few months between the moving and stable factors, for most months the differences are pronounced. Thus, the stable factor of 91 for October in the postwar period contrasts with moving factors which range between 58 in 1946 and 118 in 1955. In this case the moving factors change approximately along a straight line. Oscillatory movements also appear, as for December in the postwar period. (See figure 1.) The changes in the moving factors differ in degree as well as type. For example, the amplitude of the moving factors during the postwar years for March is considerably greater than for November. In the latter month the moving factors diverge only slightly from their average.

Use of seasonal patterns for analytical purposes. Knowledge of the normal seasonal pattern can be useful in evaluating actual changes in the monthly rate of exports as they occur. Departures from the seasonal pattern may indicate the appearance of a new trend in actual exports. In addition, the seasonal pattern, coupled with the expected general level of exports in a given year and its trend, can be used to project monthly export rates.

In connection with the foregoing, it is obvious that moving seasonal factors are more difficult to apply than stable factors, for an estimate must be made of the likely future level of each moving factor prior to its use. A simple expedient is to use the value of the factor for the immediately preceding year as the current value, but this is advisable only for those months for which the factors are relatively stable. Another approach is to project the factors on the basis of recent trends. Thus, the upward trend in October could be assumed to continue at the average rate of change for the postwar period as a whole. Neither approach, however, has a causal basis. The best procedure for estimating the future level of the moving factors should take into account causes of the movements in the first place, if these could be ascertained.

A variety of factors may be advanced to explain the year-to-year changes in the seasonal factors. These variations probably reflect primarily changes in the relative supply and demand situation confronting nations that import cotton. Thus, if supplies early in the marketing year appear low, relative to the current rate of demand abroad, the seasonal rate of U. S.

^{4/} One way would be for the programs to impose restrictions on the timing of shipments. For example, no cotton normally has been shipped under financing arrangements with the International Cooperation Administration or its predecessors between June 15 and July 31.

cotton exports toward the beginning of the season would tend to rise relative to that in later months. Generally-held anticipations with respect to supply, demand, or price and institutional factors, such as delivery dates on Government-financed exports, also may bear on the seasonal movement.

Statistical regression analysis can be used to develop quantitative expressions of the relationship between potential causal variables and the moving seasonal factors for each month. If the results are satisfactory from a statistical standpoint, estimates of the monthly factors in a subsequent year can be obtained from the relationships and given values for the causal variables. Because a lag of several months in the response of exports to a change in the market situation probably exists, the causal variables should be known by the time the estimate of the moving factor is required. Research along these lines is currently proceeding and will be reported at a later date.

Although the seasonal factors for the 1956-57 marketing year cannot be precisely stated, it is apparent that actual changes in the rate of exports since July 1956 have conformed to the seasonal pattern in direction, but not in degree. In August, exports rose more than 200 percent, compared with the estimated normal seasonal increase of about 20 percent. On the other hand, the September and October increases in exports apparently were less than seasonal, and the decline in November somewhat greater than seasonal. This downward trend in actual relative to estimated seasonal changes in exports since August is not surprising as a normal seasonal movement from the August rate would indicate a level of exports considerably above the total of 6.5 million bales estimated for the current season.

It is questionable whether seasonal influences will have as much bearing on changes in monthly rates of exports during the current crop year as in most recent years. Virtually all cotton exported this season will come under the export sales program, and a substantial amount probably will consist of cotton from CCC inventories rather than from marketings of the current crop.

Table 8 gives the moving seasonal adjustment factors for the period August 1946 to July 1956. The moving factors for the interwar period August 1920 to July 1938 will be made available to interested parties upon request.

Table 8.- Exports of cotton from the United States: Moving seasonal adjustment factors $1 \hspace{-0.1cm} \not \hspace{0.1cm} 1946-55$

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July	Pct.	4 6 0 4 4 6 0 4 4 6 0 4	2001 4444 4444
June	Pct.	107	98 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 10
May	Pct.	11100109	107 105 106 108 111
Apr.	Pct.	108 112 113 114	1109 1009 111
Mar.	Pct.	154 148 140 129	121 117 118 123 136
Feb.	Pct.	136 135 132 129	126 123 116 106 89
Jan.	Pct.	127 122 120 116	114 112 110 107 102 99
Dec.	Pct.	140 141 145 150	154 156 155 152 148 143
Nov.	Pct.	113 113 113	116 1117 1115 1114
oct.	Pct.	28 45 45 45 48	92 95 101 107 113 118
Sept	Pct.	660 660 660 660 660	72 77 76 77 72
Aug.	Pct.	37 40 41 41	47 52 52 53 48
Year beginning August		1946 1947 1948 1949	1950 1951 1952 1953 1954

1/ The factors for each month are given as a percentage of the average rate for all of the months in a crop year.

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CCC stocks of cotton, United States, 1956-57 . 6 Table

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	Secretary's account	1,000 bales	1111111 127777779000440001111111	ਰਕਰਕ
	Total	1,000 bales	9,833 9,686 9,719 9,686 686 9,687 10,098 10,098 10,098 10,096 10,096	10,281 10,437 10,578 10,580
d.	eral on ns 1956	1,000 bales	1,1,1,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0	3,679 3,878 4,019 4,065
Upland	Collateral loans	1,000 bales	0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,	9
	Owned 2/	1,000 bales	3,780 3,780 3,780 3,668 4,56,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,	6,602 6,559 6,559 6,515
	Total	1,000 bales	10,0098	: 10,285 : 10,441 : 10,582 : 10,584
	Date	1056	Aug. 3 Aug. 10 Aug. 17 Aug. 17 Aug. 24 Aug. 24 Aug. 31 Sept. 14 Sept. 21 Sept. 22 Oct. 19 Oct. 19 Oct. 19 Nov. 2 Nov. 2 Nov. 2 Nov. 2 Nov. 2 Dec. 14 Dec. 28	Jan. 11 Jan. 18 Jan. 25

Includes American Egyptian, Sealand, and Sea Island.

Includes "set-aside." 3/ Inventory adjustment.
Reflects sale of 208,484 bales, and upward inventory adjustment of 9,087 bales. 5/ Less than 500 bales. Acquired by CCC on December 31, 1956 and included under owned.

Table 10 .- Cotton, all kinds: CCC held stocks, "free" and total stocks, United States, Aug. 1, 1934 to date

Year			
beginning August	CCC held stocks 1/	: "Free"	: Total
	: 1,000	1,000	1,000
	: bales 2/	bales <u>2</u> /	bales 2/
1934	3,037	4,707	7,744
1935	6,027	1,181	7,208
1936	3,237	2,172	5,409
1937	1,665	2,834	4,499
1938	6,964	4,569	11,533
1939	11,049	1,984	13,033
1940 1941 1942 1943 1944 1945 1946 1947 1948	8,733 7,047 6,657 5,390 6,657 6,947 786 55 41	1,831 5,119 3,983 5,267 4,087 4,217 6,540 2,475 3,039 1,468	10,564 12,166 10,640 10,657 10,744 11,164 7,326 2,530 3,080 5,287
1950	3,540	3,306	6,846
1951	79	2,199	2,278
1952	285	2,504	2,789
1953	2,000	3,605	5,605
1954	7,035	2,693	9,728
1955	8,127	3,078	11,205
1956 3 /	9,876	4,664	14,540

^{1/} Includes cotton pooled, owned and loans outstanding.

CCC and Bureau of the Census.

^{2/} Running bales.

^{3/} Preliminary.

Table 11 .- Cotton: Yield per acre on harvested acreage, United States and regions, 1930 to date

:	West	1/	Southw	est <u>2</u> /	Delta	<u>3</u> /	Southea	ast <u>4</u> /	U. S	5.
Year	Actual	Trend <u>5</u> /	Actual	Trend <u>5</u> /	Actual	Trend <u>5</u> /	Actual	Trend <u>5</u> /	Actual	Trend <u>5</u> /
•	Lb.	Lb.	Lb.	Lb.	Lb.	Lb.	Lb.	Lb.	Lb.	Lb.
1930 1931 1932 1933 193 ⁴	381 372 440 497	391 402 422 442 461	117 174 163 196 102	145 142 139 144 150	154 248 181 205 216	202 200 210 229 240	221 233 176 240 236	209 211 218 231 235	157 212 174 213 172	179 178 192 194 202
1935 1936 1937 1938 1939	459 514 539 538	481 507 517 518 514	130 111 190 167 157	15 ⁴ 156 157 156 163	210 278 350 318 324	259 263 278 297 311	2 ¹ 45 250 288 229 2 ¹ 43	238 243 246 251 2 5 7	185 199 270 236 238	211 215 222 228 238
1940 1941 1942 1943 1944	460 448 463 497	518 513 518 527 525	189 173 183 166 187	169 173 167 169 171	289 314 376 336 393	331 336 330 329 340	280 20 6 284 285 359	269 276 275 281 293	252 232 272 254 299	250 256 253 256 264
1945 1946 1947 1948 1949	1470 5814 616 567 620	525 559 578 597 613	145 132 191 176 257	179 182 180 180 185	326 292 314 421 301	341 341 335 338 337	310 280 286 351 213	286 286 292 291 282	254 236 267 311 282	268 272 271 274 277
1950 1951 1952 1953 1954	76 ¹ 4 625 629 646	657 683 719	204 163 164 230 235	195 211 220	307 322 366 385 395	345 372 393	209 331 277 275 296	281 294 302	269 269 280 324 3 ¹ 1	286 307 322
1955 1956 <u>6</u> /	818 944		281 267		536 503		405 361		417 408	

^{1/} West includes California, Arizona, New Mexico and Nevada.

5/ Trend yield is 9-year centered average yield.

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^{2/} Southwest includes Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas.
3/ Delta includes Missouri, Arkansas, Tennessee, Mississippi, Louisiana, Illinois, and Kentucky.

^{4/} Southeast includes Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, and Alabama.

^{6/} Preliminary, Crop Reporting Board report of December 10, 1956.

Table 12 - Cotton: Harvested acreage by regions and each region as a percentage of total harvested acreage, United States, 1930 to date

Crop year begin- ning Aug. 1	West <u>1</u> /		Southwest 2/		Del:		Southes	Total	
	1,000 acres	Per- cent	1,000 acres	Per- cent	1,000 acres	Per- cent	1,000 acres	Per- cent	1,000 acres
1930 1931 1932 1933 1934 1935 1936 1937 1938 1939	608 493 348 443 449 468 692 1,078 638 608	1.4 1.3 1.0 1.5 1.7 2.3 3.2 2.6 2.6	20,069 18,132 16,443 13,930 12,746 12,976 13,849 14,912 10,441 10,304	47.3 46.8 45.7 47.4 47.4 47.2 46.6 44.4 43.1 43.3	11,123 10,541 10,351 7,921 6,990 7,234 8,120 9,296 6,887 6,889	26.2 27.3 28.9 27.0 26.0 26.3 27.3 27.6 28.4 28.9	10,644 9,539 8,749 7,089 6,680 6,831 7,094 8,337 6,283 6,004	25.1 24.6 24.4 24.1 24.9 24.8 23.8 24.8 25.9 25.2	42,444 38,704 35,891 29,383 26,866 27,509 29,755 33,623 24,248 23,805
1943 1944 1945 1946 1947 1948	675 719 756 601 559 587 622 922 1,294 1,611	2.8 3.3 2.8 2.8 3.4 3.5 4.3 5.9	10,294 9,376 9,829 9,280 8,430 6,885 7,020 9,472 9,638 12,400	43.2 42.2 43.5 43.1 40.5 39.9 44.5 45.2	6,835 6,513 6,520 6,435 6,031 5,355 5,601 6,388 7,148 7,775	28.6 29.3 28.9 29.7 30.7 31.4 31.9 29.9 31.2 28.3	6,056 5,628 5,497 5,294 4,597 4,201 4,342 4,548 4,831 5,653	25.4 25.3 24.3 24.5 23.4 24.7 24.7 21.3 21.1 20.6	23,861 22,236 22,602 21,610 19,617 17,029 17,584 21,330 22,911 27,439
1953 1954	1,026 2,179 2,357 2,347 1,509 1,287 1,290	5.8 8.1 9.1 9.6 7.8 7.6 8.2	7,495 13,335 11,920 9,920 8,660 7,690 6,950	41.9 49.4 46.0 40.8 45.0 45.5 44.4	5,493 6,650 6,633 7,027 5,459 4,746 4,440	30.8 24.7 25.6 28.9 28.4 28.0 28.4	3,829 4,785 5,011 5,046 3,623 3,206 2,971	21.5 17.8 19.3 20.7 18.8 18.9	17,843 26,949 25,921 24,341 19,251 16,928 15,651

^{1/} Includes California, Arizona, New Mexico and Nevada.

2/ Includes Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas.

4/ Includes Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, and Alabama.

^{3/} Includes Missouri, Arkansas, Tennessee, Mississippi, Louisiana, Illinois and Kentucky.

^{5/} Preliminary. Crop Reporting Board of December 10, 1956.

Table 13.- Production of cotton by regions, United States, 1930 to date

Crop	:]	Production	1		Perce	ntage of	U. S. cr	op
year begin- ning Aug. 1	West <u>1</u> /	South- west 2/	Delta States <u>3</u> /	South- east <u>4</u> /	United States	West <u>l</u> /	South- west 2/	Delta States <u>3</u> /	South- east 4/
	1,000 bales 500 lb. gr.wt.	1,000 bales 500 lb. gr.wt.	1,000 bales 500 lb. gr.wt.	1,000 bales 500 lb. gr.wt.	1,000 bales 500 lb. gr.wt.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
1933 1934 1935 1936 1937	519 393 270 407 466 449 774 1,214 716	4,892 6,582 5,584 5,694 2,722 3,523 3,223 5,927 3,649 3,372	3,589 5,464 3,921 3,389 3,157 3,171 4,724 6,787 4,572 4,645	4,933 4,658 3,228 3,556 3,291 3,495 3,708 5,017 3,007 3,052	13,932 17,097 13,003 13,047 9,636 10,638 12,399 18,946 11,943 11,817	4 2 2 3 5 4 6 6 6 6	35 39 43 44 28 33 26 31 31 29	26 32 30 26 33 30 38 36 38 39	35 27 25 27 34 33 30 27 25 26
1942 1943 1944 1945 1946	868 691 706 580 579 576 758 1,185 1,532 2,087	4,036 3,370 3,746 3,207 3,280 2,079 1,931 3,767 3,527 6,650	4,122 4,266 5,108 4,502 4,939 3,644 3,413 4,192 6,282 4,878	3,540 2,417 3,256 3,138 3,432 2,716 2,539 2,716 3,536 2,512	12,566 10,744 12,817 11,427 12,230 9,015 8,640 11,860 14,877 16,128	7 6 6 5 7 9 10 10	32 31 29 28 27 23 22 32 24 41	33 40 40 39 40 40 39 35 42 30	28 23 25 28 28 30 30 23 24 16
1951 : 1952 : 1953 : 1954 :	1,639 2,842 3,098 3,167 2,716 2,201 2,538	3,188 4,536 4,072 4,754 4,233 4,502 3,875	3,518 4,467 5,068 5,646 4,507 5,313 4,653	1,667 3,304 2,901 2,899 2,240 2,705 2,237	10,012 15,149 15,139 16,465 13,696 14,721 13,303	16 19 21 19 20 15 19	32 30 27 29 31 31 29	35 29 33 34 33 36 35	17 22 19 18 16 18 17

^{1/} West includes California, Arizona, New Mexico and Nevada.

2/ Southwest includes Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas.

^{3/} Delta includes Missouri, Arkansas, Tennessee, Mississippi, Louisiana, Illinois, and Kentucky.

^{4/} Southeast includes Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, and Alabama.

^{5/} Preliminary, Crop Reporting Board report of December 10, 1956.

Crop Reporting Board.

Table 14.- Cotton: Acreage in cultivation July 1, each region as a percentage of total acreage in cultivation July 1, United States, 1930 to date

Crop year beginning Aug. 1	West 1/	Southwest	: Delta : 3/	Southeast	Total
:	1,000 Per acres cer		1,000 Per- acres cent	1,000 Per- acres cent	1,000 acres
1930 : 1931 : 1932 : 1933 : 1934 :	616 1. 501 1. 352 1. 513 1. 461 1.	3 18,384 47.0 0 16,764 45.9 3 19,702 49.0	11,284 26.0 10,625 27.2 10,502 28.8 10,705 26.6 7,065 25.3	10,729 24.8 9,601 24.5 8,876 24.3 9,327 23.1 6,738 24.2	43,329 39,110 36,494 40,248 27,860
1935 : 1936 : 1937 : 1938 : 1939 :	474 1. 696 2. 1,085 3. 656 2. 619 2.	3 14,582 47.6 2 15,241 44.7 6 10,897 43.6	7,322 26.1 8,182 26.7 9,381 27.5 7,051 28.2 7,136 28.9	6,876 24.5 7,167 23.4 8,382 24.6 6,414 25.6 6,198 25.1	28,063 30,627 34,090 25,018 24,683
1940 1941 1942 1943 1944	687 2. 733 3. 769 3. 607 2. 563 2.	1 9,850 42.6 3 10,303 44.2 8 9,469 43.2	7,182 28.9 6,744 29.2 6,660 28.6 6,505 29.7 6,115 30.7	6,228 25.0 5,803 25.1 5,571 23.9 5,319 24.3 4,635 23.2	24,871 23,130 23,302 21,900 19,956
1945 : 1946 : 1947 : 1948 :	590 3. 624 3. 931 4. 1,307 5. 1,631 5.	4 7,357 40.5 3 9,583 44.5 6 9,875 42.5	5,494 31.8 5,802 32.0 6,472 30.0 7,218 31.0 8,039 28.8	4,241 24.2 4,374 24.1 4,574 21.2 4,853 20.9 5,709 20.5	17,533 18,157 21,560 23,253 27,914
1950 : 1951 : 1952 : 1953 : 1954 :	1,042 5. 2,205 7. 2,378 8. 2,366 9. 1,538 7.	8 14,184 49.9 7 13,064 48.0 4 10,636 42.1	5,658 30.4 7,082 25.1 6,693 24.6 7,165 28.4 5,545 28.0	3,916 21.0 4,824 17.1 5,050 18.6 5,077 20.1 3,667 18.5	18,629 28,195 27,185 25,244 19,791
1955 : 1956 <u>5</u> / :	1,323 7. 1,335 7.		4,840 27.6 4,572 27.0	3,255 18.6 3,059 18.1	17,506 16,903

^{1/} Includes California, Arizona, New Mexico and Nevada.

Calculated from data from Crop Reporting Board.

Z/ Includes Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas.
3/ Includes Missouri, Arkansas, Tennessee, Mississippi, Louisiana, Illinois and Kentucky.

^{4/} Includes Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, and Alabama.

^{5/} Preliminary, Crop Reporting Board report of December 10, 1956.

Table 15.- Cotton: Acreage, yield, production, price and value, United States, average 1910-19, 1920-29, 1930-39 and 1930 to date

	Acrea	nge	Yield per	acre	:	Season	: Value
Crop year	In culti- vation July l	Har- vested	In culti- vation July 1	Har- vested	Production	: average	of r: produc- tion
	1,000 acres	1,000 acres	Pounds	Pounds	1,000 bales 1/	Cents	1,000 dollars
Average :	34,151	33,301	179.8	184.3	12,860	17.48	1,073.008
Average : 1920-29 : Average :	39,492	38,250	157.3	162.5	13,124	19.44	1,243,014
1930-39	32,952	31,223	201.7	205.4	13,246	9.37	601,890
1932 1933 1934 1935 1936 1937	43,329 39,110 36,494 40,248 27,860 28,063 30,627 34,090 25,018 24,683	42,444 38,704 35,891 29,383 26,866 27,509 29,755 33,623 24,248 23,805	153.9 209.3 170.6 2/210.1 165.5 181.5 193.8 266.2 3/232.5 3/233.5	157.1 211.5 173.5 212.7 171.6 185.1 199.4 269.9 235.8 237.9	13,923 17,097 13,003 13,047 9,636 10,638 12,399 18,946 11,943 11,817	9.46 5.66 6.52 10.17 12.36 11.09 12,36 8.41 8.60 9.09	658,981 483,575 423,975 663,383 595,572 590,021 766,222 796,469 513,704 537,010
1941 1942 1943 1944 1945 1946 1947	24,871 23,130 23,302 21,900 19,956 17,533 18,157 21,560 23,253 27,914	23,861 22,236 22,602 21,610 19,617 17,029 17,584 21,330 22,911 27,439	3/248.0 3/227.2 3/268.3 250.6 294.3 246.8 228.2 263.8 306.8 277.0	252.5 231.9 272.4 254.0 299.4 254.1 235.7 266.6 311.3 281.8	12,566 10,744 12,817 11,427 12,230 9,015 8,640 11,860 14,877 16,128	9.89 17.03 19.05 19.90 20.73 22.52 32.64 31.93 30.38 28.58	621,310 914,695 1,220,320 1,136,751 1,267,857 1,014,823 1,409,668 1,892,949 2,260,089 2,304,636
1951 1952 1953 1954 1955 4/	18,629 28,195 27,185 25,244 19,791 17,506 16,903	17,843 26,949 25,921 24,341 19,251 16,928 15,651	261.5 257.5 266.9 312.6 337.0 1,11.0	269.0 269.4 279.9 324.2 341.0 417.0 408.0	10,014 15,149 15,139 16,465 13,696 14,721 13,303	40.07 37.88 34.59 32.25 33.61 5/32.4	2,005,684 2,868,720 2,617,644 2,654,683 2,301,212 5/2,382,348

^{1/} Bales of 500 pounds gross weight which contain about 480 net pounds of lint.

Crop Reporting Board.

^{2/} Based on acres in cultivation July 1 less acres plowed up.

 $[\]frac{3}{4}$ Based on acres in cultivation July 1 less acres removed to meet allotments.

^{4/} Preliminary, December 10, 1956 Crop Report.

 $[\]overline{5}$ / Based on preliminary price in May 1956 Crop Report.

Table 16 .- Cotton: Acreage, production and yield forecast, by States, crop of 1956 with comparisons: December 1, 1956

	: : :Acreage:		yield pested ac		Production (ginnings) <u>2</u> /				
State	: for : :harvest: :1956 <u>1</u> /: : : :	Average: 1945-54: 1955		1956 Indi- cated Dec.1	Average		1956 crop dicated Dec. 1	Per- centage change from 1955	
	1,000 acres	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	1,000 bales 3/	1,000 bales 3/_	1,000 bales _3/	Percent	
North Carolina South Carolina Georgia Tennessee Alabama Mississippi Missouri	: 440 : 680 : 835 : 545 : 970 : 1,595 : 365	321 301 252 359 281 340 367	350 375 376 523 478 570 502	393 364 336 484 371 486 592	457 656 675 564 880 1,656 362	351 572 701 623 1,045 2,023 410	360 515 585 550 750 1,615 450	+2.5 -10.0 -16.5 -11.7 -28.2 -20.2 +9.8	
Arkansas Louisiana Oklahoma Texas New Mexico Arizona California	: 1,365 : 560 : 725 : 6,225 : 181 : 358 : 749	339 336 154 194 526 656 659	545 454 281 281 688 981 774	506 501 175 278 811 1,113 897	1,382 586 356 3,518 23 7 559 1,164	1,663 582 463 4,039 266 728 1,205	1,440 585 265 3,610 306 830 1,400	-13.4 +0.5 -42.8 -10.6 +15.0 +14.0 +16.2	
Other States 4/	: : 58	284	383	345	47	50	42	-16.0	
United States total	: : :15,651 :	283	417	408	13,098	14,721	303	-9.6	
American- Egyptian 5/	: : 41.2 :	387	500	566	32.9	32.9	48.5	+13.1	

Production ginned and to be ginned.

Crop Reporting Board report of December 10, 1956.

^{1/} December 1 estimate.
2/ Production ginned and
3/ Bales of 500 pounds Bales of 500 pounds gross weight, containing about 480 net pounds of lint.

Includes Illinois, Kansas, Kentucky, Nevada, Virginia and Florida. 5/ Included in State and United States totals. Grown in Texas, New Mexico, Arizona and California.

Table 17 e- Cotton: Exports from the United States to specified countries,
August-July, averages 1935-39 and 1947-51,
annual 1951 to date

Country	:		1	ear begin	ning Aug	gust 1		
of destination		Average: 1935-39:	Average:	1951	1952 *	1953	1954	1955 1/
descination	•	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	:	running	running	running		running		running
	•	bales	bales	bales	bales	bales	bales	bales
Europe	:							
United Kingdom		1,282	503	6 3 8	344	404	404	146
Austria	:	2/	43	30	46	40	14	17
Belgium and	:							
Luxembourg	2	158	153	306	71	66	63	29
Czechoslovakia	:	61	23	0	0	0	0	0
Denmark	:	31	25	33	33	22	19	3
Eire	2	0	3	4	3	4	5	2
Finland	2	32	19	32	4	10	12	16
France	2	623	472	300	489	458	1400	169
Germany (West)	2	482	472	432	232	377	337	70
Greece	2	3	12	0	0	3	7	0
Hungary	:	5 420	6 494	0 540	0 260	0 258	0 238	0 99
Italy Netherlands	:	100	162	189	76	101	93	16
Norway	:	16	102	15	ű	13	12	
Poland	:	168	36	0	0	0	0	<u>2</u> /
Portugal	:	34	4	20	ĭ	Ö	10	5
Spain	:	99	78	196	73	158	186	136
Sweden	:	108	32	96	34	141	49	10
Switzerland	:	10	38	95	26	22	35	13
Trieste	:	0	3	í	2/	2	i	i
U. S. S. R.	2		3 5 53	0	- 0	0	0	0
Yugoslavia	:	<u>2/</u> 16	53	118	83	38	100	103
Other Europe	2	19	6	0	0	0	0	0
Total Europe	:	3,667	2, 654	3,044	1,784	2,018	1,983	836
Other Countries	:							
Canada	:	288	279	285	269	227	295	71
Mexico	:	0	<u>2/</u> 16	0	0	0	0	2/ 11
Cuba	:	10	1 6	20	11	19	19	
Colombia	:	18	मिर्म	53	33	7	2	27
India	2	51	278	756	种	157	59	9
China	:	113	150	0	0	0	0	0
Japan	2	1,100	772	1,061	663	963	653	838
Hong Kong	2	<u>2/</u>	39	0	2/	8	142	43
Korea	2		45	52 7	39	93	163	128
Palestine and Israel	*	0	7	(13	12	20	14
Philippine Islands Australia	:	2	5 12	2 48	15	7 42	7 49	12 27
Other Countries	:	9 42	122	192	10 165	207	189	199
World total	1	5,300	4,423	5,519	3,048	3,761	3,447	2,215
1/ Preliminary. 2/		Less than			2,140	7,1	27441	

1/ Preliminary. 2/ Less than 500 bales. Bureau of the Census.

Table 16.- Cotton: Exports, by staple length and by countries of destination, United States, October and November 1956 and cumulative totals since August 1, 1956

1, 1956	Total	Running bales	242,382 13,861	93,049 6,262 1,441	21,377 164,104 243,767 229,335	28,545 28,545	69,773 19,318 44,385	1,550	1,253,719	128,627 18,752 72 30,173	107,449 299 12,572	75,798 12,776 10,412	343,397 15,651 3,891	7,186	2,060,693
August	Under 1 inch	Running	96,517	18,260	193	6,726	3,143 2,427 2,219	1,013	191,144	512,41 0 0	3,567	64,633 8,779 9,737	153,416 910 1,865	4,688 5,248	458,499
ve totals since	1 inch to 1-1/8 inches	Running	111,772	69,101 5,247 1,191	129,313 179,994 187,858	31,674 3,998 21,819	39,374 16,370 33,434	404 577 0	868,507	110,950	8,585	9,203 3,773 475	1,6,120 13,221 2,026	1,309	1,276,431
Cumulative	1-1/8 inches and over 1/	Running	34,093 4,339	5,688	21,914 49,272 18,976	200,050	27,256 521 8,732	579 0	194,068	3,165 1,190 0 9,329	98,864 299	1,962 224 200	1,520	1,189	325,763
	Total	Running	71,222	23,645	25,311 61,569 9,430	1,705 1,705 4,972	30,909 3,985 11,124	000	274,783	45,689 0 0 11,379	51,017 295 1,905	17,192 507 5,879	1,498	1,256	535,692
1956	Under 1 inch	Running	19,220	1,636	1,078 3,661 1,653	1,310 0 1,189	1,200	000	31,269	0,060,0		14,133 252 5,285	33, (20	411 890	92,439
November]	1 inch to 1-1/8 inches	Running	37,502	20,12	18,314 146,068 6,620	1,605	18,364 3,405 9,405	000	186,843	38,242	1,495	472, 9 922, 9 496, 9	1,478	348 5,974	322,971
	1-1/8 inches and over $1/2$	Running	14,500	500	5,919 11,840 1,157	001	11,345 318 1,665	000	56,671	1,387	49,522	685 200 200 151	0,740	497 275	120,282
	Total	Running	57,130 2,738	32,534 2,033 303	6,200 144,818 89,440 74,575	8,811	30,724 8,173 15,333	351	390,721	33,785 0 0 8,544	20,909	26,423 6,412 4,533	1,472 4,718 1,336	1,950	596,685
1956	Under 1 inch	Running	19,768	6,961	4,942 7,838 7,830	434 7 1,522	1,363	351	50,717	4,800	000	22,379 4,818 4,452	40, 720 50 718	1,305	140,850
October 19	1 inch to 1-1/8 inches	Running	28,912 1,840	24,268	34,064 65,755 61,340	7,289	21,010 6,988 11,962	0 0 0	285,585	28,001	2,220	3,735	3,906	99	374,099
	1-1/8 inches and over	Running bales	8,450	1,305	5,812 18,847 5,405		: 8,351 : 100 : 2,342	000	54,419	3,083	: 18,689 : 0 : 0	309	762	546 885	81,736
	Country of destination		Europe United Kingdom Austria	Delgium and Luxembourg Dermark Eire	Finland France Germany (West) Italy	Norway Portugal	Spain Sweden Switzerland	Trieste Yugoslavia Other	Total Europe	Other Countries: Canada Colombia Bolivie Chile	India Pakistan Indonesia	Korea Hong Kong Taiwan	Japan Australia French Morocco	Africa Other	World total

1/ Includes American Egyptian and Sea Island cotton.

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